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SUBJECT: CIEC DIALOGUE -- AUSTRALIAN DELEGATION TO
CIEC RAW MATERIALS COMMISSION SESSION

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1. BACK-UP AUSTRALIAN DELEGATE FROM AUSTRALIA HIGH COMMISSION, LMNDON, MENTIONED PARA. 2 REFTEL WOULD BE ANGUS L. PALTRIDGE WHO IS LISTED IN DIPLOMATIC LIST AS MINISTER (TRADE POLICY). PALTRIDGE WAS ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTERNATIONAL COFFEE ORGANIZATION (ICO) LAST SUMMER FOR A ONE YEAR TERM BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 1975. ALTHOUGH HE PARTICIPATED IN COFFEE MEETINGS AS AUSTRALIAN REP IN 1974, HE WAS NOT PARTICULARLY ACTIVE AND INDEED WAS SELECTED CHAIRMAN OF THIS YEAR'S EXECUTIVE BOARD LARGELY BY DEFAULT. SINCE HIS ELECTION, HE HAS PROVED TO BE A GOOD, HARD WORKING PRESIDING OFFICER. HE PLAYED A CONSTRUCTIVE, IF LOW-KEY ROLE IN THE NEGOTIATIONS FOR A NEW INTERNATIONAL COFFEE AGREEMENT LAST NOVEMBER-DECEMBER.

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2. WHILE EMBASSY HAS HAD LITTLE CONTACT WITH PALTRIDGE
EXCEPT IN ICO CONTEXT, WE HAVE FOUND HIM TO BE SENSIBLE
AND APPROACHABLE. HE IS MIDDLE-AGED, STOCKY, AND
INVARIABLY GOOD-HUMORED. HE IS NOT "FLASHY" NOR
DOES HE APPEAR TO HAVE GREAT DEPTH IN COMMODITY
MATTERS; NEVERTHELESS, WE BELIEVE HE WILL PROVE TO
BE A SOLID MEMBER OF THE AUSTRALIAN DELEGATION WHO
WILL BE OPEN TO REASON AND WILL APPROACH ISSUES
INTELLIGENTLY.

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